## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/809,207 Examiner: Pannala, Filed: March 25, 2004 Sathyanaraya R. Inventors: Group/Art Unit: 2164 John A. Muth Atty. Dkt. No: 5760-19800 Thomas W. Lanzatella Title: **Expiration of Access** Tokens for Quiescing a Distributed System

## AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted as an amendment accompanying the request for continued examination filed herewith, and to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.